



**PATENT APPLICATION**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of

Docket No: Q54622

Christian LAROQUE, et al.

Appln. No.: 09/323,135

Group Art Unit: 2665

Confirmation No.: 8820

Examiner: Justin M. PHILPOTT

Filed: June 1, 1999

For: A SWITCH PROVIDED WITH A SIGNALLING COUPLER, AND A METHOD OF SENDING  
A SIGNALLING MESSAGE

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.136**

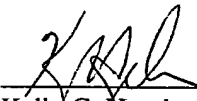
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant hereby petitions for an extension of time of three months, extending the time for responding to the Office Action of March 26, 2004 to September 27, 2004 (September 26 being a Sunday).

A check for the statutory fee of \$950.00 is attached. The USPTO is directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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